

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (original) A method for completing and storing an electronic rental agreement, said method comprising the steps of:
 - entering reservation-related information and rental-related information for an item or service, said entering step entering: (a) said rental-related information without employing a master rental agreement, or (b) at least some of said rental-related information from a master rental agreement and allowing modification of said information from the master rental agreement for rental of said item or service without modifying the master rental agreement;
 - providing a reservation for said item or service based at least in part upon said reservation-related information;
 - creating and displaying a rental proposal based upon said reservation and said rental-related information;
 - electronically accepting said rental proposal; and
 - storing the electronic rental agreement based upon said accepted rental proposal.
2. (original) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 - entering said rental-related information without employing a master rental agreement.
3. (original) The method of Claim 2 further comprising:
 - manually entering said rental-related information online.
4. (original) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 - entering at least some of said rental-related information from a master rental agreement; and
 - allowing modification of said information from the master rental agreement for rental of said item or service without modifying the master rental agreement.
5. (original) The method of Claim 4 further comprising:
 - entering at least one of a member identification and a user name to identify said master rental agreement.
6. (original) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 - maintaining a history of rental information for prior rentals by a user;
 - entering information from an identification of a user; and

entering at least some of said rental-related information from the history based upon said information from an identification of a user without employing a master rental agreement.

7. (original) The method of Claim 6 further comprising:

employing a driver's license as said identification of a user.

8. (previously presented) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:

maintaining a history of rental information for prior rentals by a user;

entering information from an identification of a user; and

provisionally entering at least some of said rental-related information from the history based upon said information from an identification of a user without employing a master rental agreement.

9. (original) The method of Claim 8 further comprising:

modifying at least some of said provisionally entered at least some of said rental-related information from the history.

10. (original) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:

sending a message to a database system responsive to said accepting step to indicate that a user has accepted said rental proposal.

11. (original) The method of Claim 10 further comprising:

storing a unique transaction in the database system for said accepted rental proposal.

12. (original) The method of Claim 11 further comprising:

storing a flag along with the unique transaction in the database system to indicate that the accepted rental proposal is electronically signed.

13. (original) The method of Claim 12 further comprising:

employing said stored flag to enable allocation of said item or service at a kiosk.

14. (original) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:

employing a plurality of rental options in said rental-related information;

accepting or declining at least some of said rental options; and

storing a plurality of flags corresponding to said rental options to signify the rental options that a user has accepted or declined.

15. (original) The method of Claim 14 further comprising:
 retrieving the stored flags; and
 determining whether the user accepted or declined said rental options
 based upon the retrieved stored flags.
16. (original) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 electronically accepting said rental proposal at a client system.
17. (original) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 electronically accepting said rental proposal at a kiosk.
18. (previously presented) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 completing and storing the electronic rental agreement based upon the
 accepted rental proposal without completing a handwritten rental agreement.
19. (new) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 performing said displaying the rental proposal and said electronically
 accepting at a kiosk.
20. (new) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 entering credit card information before said electronically accepting.
21. (new) The method of Claim 1 further comprising:
 performing said entering step at a client system; and
 performing said displaying the rental proposal and said electronically
 accepting at a kiosk, which is separate from said client system.
22. (new) A method for completing and storing an electronic rental
 agreement, said method comprising the steps of:
 entering reservation-related information and rental-related information
 for an item or service, said entering step entering: (a) said rental-related information without
 employing a master rental agreement, or (b) at least some of said rental-related information
 from a master rental agreement and allowing modification of said information from the
 master rental agreement for rental of said item or service without modifying the master rental
 agreement;
 providing a reservation for said item or service based at least in part
 upon said reservation-related information;
 creating and displaying a rental proposal based upon said reservation
 and said rental-related information;
 electronically accepting said rental proposal;

completing the electronic rental agreement based upon said accepted rental proposal; and

storing the electronic rental agreement.

23. (new) The method of Claim 22 further comprising:
performing said displaying the rental proposal and said electronically accepting at a kiosk.

24. (new) The method of Claim 22 further comprising:
entering credit card information before said electronically accepting.

25. (new) The method of Claim 22 further comprising:
performing said entering step at a client system; and
performing said displaying the rental proposal and said electronically accepting at a kiosk, which is separate from said client system.